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SUPREME COURT JUSTICES IN TWO SUITS UPHOLD THE EMERGENCY RENT LAWS

Wagner Says New Measures
Do Not Conflict with Rights
Under the Constitution.

POWER IN LEGISLATURE

McAvoy, in Another Ruling,
Expresses Same Views of
His Brother Jurist.

Two important decisions upholding the constitutionality of the September landlord-tenant laws and guaranteeing the relief provided by the Legislature for the 500,000 New Yorkers menaced by the craze for rent profiteering were handed down by Justices Robert F. Wagner and John V. McAvoy in Manhattan Supreme Court to-day.

Justice Wagner, in denying motion for judgment upon the pleadings in suit brought by the Ullmann Realty Company to eject Kintara Thaur, its tenant at No. 432 East 96th Street, upheld the validity of the housing laws in their constitutional aspect, and, concluding a lengthy opinion, wrote:

"Our Constitution is not so inflexible, unyielding and immovable that our lawmaking bodies lie prostrate at its feet, powerless to give legislative succor in the face of a peril threatening the health, morals and even the lives of the people.

"For a century and a half our constitutional restraints have received interpretations befitting every emergency and public need. The statutes in question were enacted to avert a crisis. No constitutional right of the owner of property was transgressed. No sound reason is advanced that the Government aid was not lawfully exerted. Motion for judgment upon the pleadings denied with appropriate costs."

Justice McAvoy, in denying to the landlord corporation, in a suit entitled "Versailles Holding Corporation vs. Stein," an injunction order directing the tenant to vacate the premises, held that the landlords cannot seize upon the injunction as a weapon whereby to obtain relief and circumvent the emergency laws, and also held that:

POWER VESTED IN THE LEGISLATURE.

"The legislature without question had power to abolish the remedy which it granted to recover possession of real property by summary proceedings and would, if an emergency existed, under the police power be entitled to suspend the action of ejectment for a prescribed period. It is conceded here that the existing laws accomplishing this result are within the legislative power and are not in effect, that although the legislature abolished legal power to remove a hold-over, the equitable remedy to compel him to remove remains or arises out of lack of it."

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POLITICAL LEADER
AND OIL KING WHO
DIED FROM WOUNDS



JAKE HAMON

STATEN ISLAND R. R. TO INCREASE FARE

Company Announces 20 Per Cent.
Advance on Line From St.
George to Tottenville Dec. 1.

Announcement was made to-day by the Staten Island Rapid Transit Railroad that effective Dec. 1 a fare increase of 20 per cent. will be charged on its line from St. George to Tottenville and the ferry from Tottenville to Perth Amboy, N. J. Permission to charge increased fares was granted by the railroad by the Interstate Commerce Commission last Monday. The railroad brought its request for an increase on the basis that it is engaged in interstate traffic because of its ferry connection between New York and New Jersey.

Holders of commutation and book tickets will not be affected by the increase. It is the single ticket purchasers who will stand the boost. It was also announced by J. J. Murray, traffic manager, that 10 per cent. increases in fares would be shortly instituted on the other lines of the company. The present fare from St. George to Perth Amboy, N. J., is 55 cents.

The Staten Island Civic League is endeavoring to hold a meeting next week to protest against the increased fare.

WORKERS CUT OWN PAY, REFUSE BONUS

Virginia Mill Employees Adopt
Wage Reduction Plan by
Vote of 75 to 5.

DANVILLE, Va., Nov. 26.—The House of Representatives of the Shenandoah Valley Congress representing the workers of the district have passed a wage reduction bill by a vote of 75 to 5. The measure was not the original bill which was reported favorably by a special committee. An amendment was offered from the floor and in this shape passed.

The original wage reduction bill provided for a cut of 25 per cent. on the base rate of pay to the 500 operatives. The amendment which carried today provided for the 50 per cent. elimination of the 10 per cent bonus and a reduction of 15 per cent. on the base rate of pay. This bill is slightly more favorable to the employees, for it will give them more weekly pay than the original bill.

Why He Refuses \$1,000,000!

Charles Garland Tells
Marguerite Mooers Marshall
of The Evening World Staff
In a Vivid and Highly
Interesting Interview
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OIL KING HAMON DIES OF WOUND IN STRANGE SHOOTING

Oklahoma Politician Said to
Be Accidental, but Woman
Is Accused.

ARDMORE, Okla., Nov. 26.—Jacob L. Hamon, Republican National Committeeman from Oklahoma, a rich oil man who was wounded here last Sunday night in a hotel room, died this morning at 8.15 o'clock.

Hamon went to the Hardy Sanitarium on Sunday and said the accidentally shot himself while cleaning a gun preparing for a hunting trip, but on Monday a warrant was issued for the arrest of Clara Smith Hamon, who had acted as his body-keeper and secretary for several years. She was charged with shooting Hamon. She and the National Committeeman were accused in an information filed in court of a statutory offense.

Clara Smith Hamon, who married a relative of the oil man, has not been indicted.

Hamon and the woman had occupied adjoining rooms at a hotel here for several weeks. Mrs. Jake Hamon was in Chicago with her two children, but came here after the shooting. Shortly before her husband died Mrs. Hamon expressed "faintest countenance" in her husband.

The case of Jake Hamon from a penitence promoter to one of the richest independent oil men in the world and a leader in the Republican Party is one of the financial romances of Oklahoma.

Hamon's fortune came through a scheme which he devised for the development of a townsite and a railroad. He had no money, but believed a circus man could be persuaded to finance the project. He made the acquaintance of one of the Ringling Brothers by deliberately turning over a cocktail glass in a New York cafe at a table where Ringling was seated. Hamon made the most of the incident and soon got Ringling's backing. The town of Jachammon and another named Ringling were started. The railroad project got under way and then all was discovered on the property.

After making his fortune, Hamon got into politics, and after a bitter fight was named the State's National Committeeman. He was one of the original boosters of Warren G. Harding and worked for the Osage's accession long before the Chicago Convention.

Wrote Hamon's death authorities regarded his efforts to locate Mrs. Clara Smith Hamon. The woman was a clerk in a store at Lawton when Hamon first met her. She was only seventeen then. That was about eight years ago.

Reports were circulated that witnesses heard Hamon and a woman quarreling and that when they were in the hotel room previous to the shooting they talked excitedly and appeared to be in a fight.

At LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 26.—A life insurance policy for \$1,000,000 was issued to Mrs. L. Hamon a few days before she was shot Sunday. The insurance was made payable to her estate. The amount will be paid.

TWO MEN HELD FOR IRISH RIOTING AT THE UNION CLUB

Bail of \$500 Each Fixed For
the Alleged Window
Breakers.

ARTHUR GRIFFITH, ACTING PRESIDENT OF "IRISH REPUBLIC"

THIRD MAN IS FINED.
Officials of Club Say They
Will Not Take Part in
Prosecution.

Four men arrested in the crowd about the Union Club at 51st Street and Fifth Avenue during the rioting attending an attempt by Irish sympathizers to remove a British flag from one of the club staffs before and after a Mayor Molloy memorial mass in St. Patrick's yesterday were arraigned in Yorkville Police Court to-day before Magistrate McGuire.

One, charged with throwing a stone at a club window, was fined \$25, two others charged with breaking windows, a felony by reason of the value of the property destroyed, were held in \$500 bail each for further examination and the fourth man who had nothing to do with the rioting was held for Special Sessions on his admission that he carried a sword cane into the crowd.

William Donlan of No. 17 West 137th Street, Brooklyn, accused by Sergeant J. Sullivan with throwing a stone at a club window and having three stones in his pocket, denied the charge. Two witnesses, Anne Whitaker of No. 562 Hornaday Place, Brooklyn, and Kate O'Connor of No. 193 Third Avenue supported Donlan's denial, but Magistrate McGuire found the accused guilty of disorderly conduct and inflicted the fine.

Hugh O'Brien of No. 151 West 137th Street and Michael Kennedy of No. 190 Vandewater Avenue, Brooklyn, charged with breaking windows in the club house, were held at the request of Assistant District Attorney William O'Shaughnessy. The complainant against them is Edward J. Hayes, secretary to Mayor Daniel J. Murphy, manager of the Union Club.

William M. V. Hoffman of No. 45 West 15th Street, accused of violation of the Sullivan Law, pleaded guilty. He said he was attacked by the crowd and got mixed up in the crush about the club house. His sword cane became disconnected and while he was trying to catch it together a policeman grabbed him.

The effects of the club announced to-day that three Irish of the United States, the British Empire and France which were being from the balcony yesterday to mark the celebration of the three hundredth anniversary of the arrival of the Mayflower at Plymouth and which were finally withdrawn at about last night, would not be hung out again to-day because and only because the celebration was over. The British and French flags were withdrawn on his own authority by the superintendent of the club at the beginning of the disorder yesterday and had been immediately restored by order of the House Committee.

The only prosecution of the three attackers of the club house, it was said by the club officials, would be (Continued on Twenty-ninth Page)

D'Annunzio Alder Desert Him.
TRIESTE, Nov. 26 (Associated Press).—Two important military supporters of Gabriele d'Annunzio at Fiume have deserted him. Gen. Cocchiari, commander-in-chief of d'Annunzio's troops, and the soldier poet, carrying in Trieste to-day, accompanied by Col. Luigi d'Annunzio, have left.

But Paken Didn't Affect Him.
South Cheshire, thirty-two years old, No. 116 East 116th Street, was taken to the Hudson Hospital to-day suffering from the fall, said from rat poison taken with suicidal intent. He is recovering.

Swedish Minister at Washington Dead.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—W. A. P. Lagerman, Swedish Minister to the United States, died at the location here to-day after a brief illness.

GRIFFITH AND OTHER CHIEFS OF SINN FEIN SEIZED IN BED; MASS OF DOCUMENTS TAKEN

Leader's Wife Gives Vivid Account
of Raid—MacNeil and Two Mem-
bers of Parliament Among Pris-
oners—No Charges Made Yet.

DUBLIN, Nov. 26 (Associated Press).—Arthur Griffith, founder of the Sinn Fein organization; Prof. John MacNeill, Sinn Fein Member of Parliament for Londonderry City and the National University of Ireland, together with a number of others, including Prof. MacNeill's son, were arrested to-day by the auxiliary police. Among the others were Joseph McBride and E. J. Duggan, Sinn Fein Members of Parliament respectively for the West Division of County Mayo and the South Division of Dublin.

The Lord Mayor and Chief Constable of Manchester, acting with authority from the Home Secretary, issued an order to-day prohibiting meetings the Irish Self-Determination League had proposed to hold Saturday and Sunday. Arthur Griffith had promised to speak at these meetings.

News of the arrests created a great sensation throughout Dublin. In a vivid account of her husband's arrest, Mrs. Griffith said she was awakened at 1.30 o'clock this morning by the creaking of a pane of glass in the front door of the Griffith home.

"I jumped to the window of our upstairs bedroom and called out," she continued, "The seven men comprising the party pointed revolvers at me, shouting 'Come down at once.'"

"I turned and called to Arthur, 'Here they come, jump!' and then slipped on a dressing gown and ran downstairs. The men, all of them members of the auxiliary police, had reached the landing already. They had smashed the window and cut the door chain. They rushed into Arthur's room with revolvers pointed and placed him under arrest."

"When they took him away later I said to him: 'Where are you going to put him?' To this one of them replied: 'We are going to shoot or hang him as he jolly well deserves.'"

"Our seven-year-old child who had been sleeping by our bed heard the running, began to scream and became hysterical. As they drove off, however, another man shouted back: 'We are taking him to the Brixton Jail.'"

39 ARE SLAIN, 81 WOUNDED, IN IRELAND IN WEEK

Highest Recorded Since Sinn
Fein Rebellion Began—113
Arrests Made.

DUBLIN, Nov. 26.—THIRTY-NINE persons were killed and 81 wounded in Dublin, Belfast and Londonderry in the week ending to-day, the highest recorded since the Sinn Fein rebellion began in 1916, according to figures issued to-day by the British Government.

The figures include civilians, police and soldiers.

During the week the arrests were made, it was stated.

INDEPENDENTS CUT THEIR STEEL PRICES

Reduction by Jones and Laughlin
Met by Youngstown—Mills
Employ 55,000.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 26.—Shear of steel prices to the home established by the United States Industrial Board March 21, 1915, developed here to-day when the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company, the largest of the independent producers, adopted new selling rates on certain finished steel products. This reduction, the first to be made by independents in the Pittsburgh district, will not affect the wages, it is understood, of approximately 25,000 persons in the company's employ.

The new prices which are effective immediately are: Basic 12.55, structural 12.45, plates 12.45, beam 12.45. Adjustments will be made on the prices for wire and cold rolled steel products.

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\$24,486 VERDICT AGAINST DOCTOR

Yonkers Woman Awarded Dam-
ages for Burns Suffered From
an X-Ray Apparatus.

A verdict for \$24,486 damages was awarded to Mrs. Sarah Antowill, No. 129 Hawthorne Avenue, Yonkers, a widow, against Dr. Joseph Friedman, an X-ray specialist of No. 187 West 161st Street, Manhattan, by a jury before Supreme Justice Thompson in White Plains to-day.

She sued Dr. Friedman on a charge of malpractice, alleging she had suffered severe burns from an X-ray apparatus while under treatment by the physician and that the injuries were due to his negligence.

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